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Stress-Induced Proteins and Uses Thereof," now U.S. Patent No. 5,714,575, which corresponds to parent application Serial No. 07/852,013, filed March 9, 1992, now abandoned. This application also claims the priority of provisional application Serial No. 60/096,938, filed August 20, 1998, entitled "The 5' Untranslated Region of the Cold-Shock cspA Gene Regulates Translation Efficiency in Addition to mRNA Stability," and U.S. provisional application Serial No. 60/143,380, entitled "Translational Enhancement by an Element Downstream of the Initiation Codon in Escherichia coli."